

VI. LEGAL ASSISTANCE

American University Women and Law Clinic – 4801 Mass Ave, NW 20016

(202) 274-0800, Fax (202) 274-0659 Ann Shalleck, Director

Types of cases: child support and domestic violence. Call for interview, no walk-ins.

Ayuda, Inc. – 1736 Columbia Rd., NW 20009

(202) 387-4848, Fax (202) 387-0324, Yvonne Martinez Vega, Director

Legal advocacy; immigration; political asylum; family visa petitions; naturalization; battered spouse waivers. Domestic violence; CPO, child custody & support.

Spanish – French

Bread for the City (formerly Zacchaeus Free Clinic) – 1525 7th St., NW 20001

(202) 332-0440, Fax (202) 745-1081 www.breadforthecity.org

Landlord/tenant and public benefits; family issues (child support, custody domestic violence); weekly employment legal clinic.

Spanish

Catholic Charities (DC) (Archdiocesan Legal Network) – 924 G Street, NW 20001

(202) 772-4324, Fax (202) 772-4402, Jim Bishop, Program Director.

Legal assistance and representation: child custody; consumer debt/bankruptcy; domestic violence; employment disputes; guardianships; landlord-tenant disputes; public benefits; wills. Appointment line (202-628-4263) Mon-Fri 9:30am-12:30pm. Free to low fee.

Spanish, French, Korean, Tagalog

Center for Immigration Law & Practice

4900 Connecticut Avenue, NW 20008

(202) 362-0120, Fax (202) 362-0121, e-mail: jubileeattorney2@aol.com

David Rivera, Director

Immigration legal assistance; Asylum; change of status; deportation. Call for rates and appointments.

Spanish

Central American Resource Center (CARECEN)

3112 Mt. Pleasant Street, NW, 20010, 1459 Columbia Road, NW, 20009

(202) 328-9799, Fax (202) 328-0023, Saul Solorzano, Director

Legal assistance with work authorizations; document translations; asylum applications; family visas; naturalization assistance.

Spanish

Children's Law Center (CLC) 901 15th Street, NW Suite 500, 20005

(202) 467-4900, Fax (202) 467-4949, www.childrenslawcenter.org

Judith Sandalow, Executive Director, jsandalow@childrenslawcenter.org

Free legal services to at-risk children, their families, and foster and kinship caregivers. Focus is on child welfare system, children with special education needs and children who witness domestic violence.

Columbus Community Legal Services –3600 John McCormack Rd., NE 20064
(202) 319-6788, Fax (202) 319-6780, Ellen M. Scully, Director—weekdays 9-5.
Landlord-tenant; small claims; benefits, employment; general litigation. Family abuse (CPO primarily) and homebound elderly projects. No criminal or juvenile or workman's compensation cases. Free for income eligible DC residents. Spanish

Counsel for Child Abuse & Neglect (CCAN)

H. Carl Moultrie I Courthouse for D.C.; 500 Indiana Ave., NW 20001
(202) 879-1406, Beverly Gibbs, Social Worker,
(202) 879-1301, Wilma Brier, Director
Facilitates & trains appointed lawyers representing indigent parents & children in civil abuse & neglect cases.

CURE (Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants)

P.O. Box 2310, National Capital Station 20013
(202) 789-2126, Pauline Sullivan
Local and national membership organization working to improve prison conditions and advocating for legislative change. *Does not provide direct legal services.*

D.C. Bar Legal Information HELP-LINE – (202) 626-3494

D.C. Bar Public Service Activities Corp.-Law Firm Pro Bono Clinic

P.O.
D.C. Bar 1250 H St., NW 6th Floor, (202) 737-4700 ext. 297, contact clinic coordinator: 20005. Free legal assistance for D.C. low income in areas of government benefits; family law (custody or support cases); civil (consumer disputes, P.I. if client being sued for money; wage claims (employer owes you wages); Landlord & Tenant (eviction or refusal to make repairs) Bankruptcy clinic seminars and possible representation. Referrals through legal services or social services providers ONLY; incarcerated persons not accepted.

D.C. Employment Justice Center -- 1350 Connecticut Ave. NW. 20036

(202) 828-9675, Fax (202) 828-9190, www.dcejc.org
Robin Runge, Contact Person
Legal assistance and consultations regarding employment law matters. Cases generally handled by law students under the supervision of a barred attorney. Workers' Rights Clinics at two Bread for the City locations: 1524 7th Street, NW, every Wednesday evening 6pm to 8pm, 1640 Good Hope Road, SE 20020, 1st and 4th Mondays, 6pm to 8pm.

D.C. Law Students in Court – 806 7th Street, NW 20004

(202) 638-4798 Fax (202) 638-0304 –Ann Marie Hay, Executive Director

weekdays 9-5 Intake: 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Third-year law students represent clients in misdemeanor; juvenile; landlord-tenant; small claims/consumer cases; Chapter 7 bankruptcy (call first). Phone and walk-in inquiries 10-2pm. Income guidelines -- \$209/week plus \$74 per dependent. Spanish

D.C. Prisoners' Legal Services Project, Inc—2639 Conn Ave. NW #225

20008 (202) 775-0323, Fax (202) 775-0315, www.dcprisonerhelp.org

Philip Fornaci, Executive Director, Ivy Lange, Reentry Project Manager

Represents D.C. Code offenders for incarcerated and recently released confinement issues and medical care. Clearinghouse on prisoners' rights litigation and general prison issues. Priority to health and safety issues, especially HIV-related cases.

UDC (David A. Clarke) School of Law -- 4200 Conn. Ave., NW 20008

(202) 274-7332, Fax (202) 727-5583, www.law.udc.edu Shelley Broderick, Dean

Indigent and low-income clients: juvenile law/neglect/special education (Joe Tulman-(202-274-7317); fair housing & landlord-tenant (Ed Allen 202-274-7326). HIV clinic (see HIV Section).

George Washington University Community Legal Clinic

2000 G Street, NW 20052

(202) 994-7463, Fax (202) 994-4946, Carol Izumi, Dean of Clinic

Civil litigation; immigration, consumer help/mediation; vaccine injury project; criminal appeals (Montgomery Co. MD); health insurance counseling for elderly (2136 PA. Ave, NW ((202) 739-0668) ; small business; administrative advocacy; administrative fees for some clinics. Call for Appointment.

Emergency Domestic Relations Project (W.E.A.V.E.)

Legal representation: civil protection orders; child custody; child support; modification of CPO) and other advocacy for victims of domestic violence.

Domestic Violence Intake Centers (W.E.A.V.E.)	
DC Superior Court Bldg 500 Indiana Avenue, NW Suite 4235 (202) 393-6290, Fax (202) 662-9539 Jennifer Matel, Intake Coordinator Mon-Fri 8:30am to 3:30pm	Greater SE Hospital (Medical Services Bldg) 1328 Southern Avenue, SE Suite 311 (202) 561-3000 Meshall Thomas, Program Manager Mon-Fri 8:30am to 3:30pm

Georgetown University Criminal Justice Clinic 111 F St., NW, Room 130

(202) 662-9575, Fax (202) 662-9681 e-mail Copacino@law.Georgetown.edu

John Copacino, Director; Criminal Justice Clinic

Adults charged with misdemeanor offenses in DC Superior Court.

Howard University School of Law Clinic(s) – 2900 Van Ness St., NW 20008,
(202) 806-8082, Fax (202) 806-8436, Tamar Meekins, Director
Criminal Justice Clinic: Third-year law students represent misdemeanor adult & juveniles,
charges with a crime in the DC Superior Court. Cases assigned through the PDS's Defender
Services Office.

Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia –666 11th St., NW, #800 20001
(202) 628-1161, Fax (202) 727-2132, www.legalaiddc.org Jonathan Smith, Director
Free to indigent D.C. residents, strict income guidelines: landlord/tenant; disability; public
benefits; family law – custody, visitation, guardianship only. Walk-ins accepted.

Legal Counsel for the Elderly –601 E St., NW 4th Floor 20049
(202) 434-2170, Fax (202) 434-6464, jmay@AARP.org Jan Allen May, Director
Services (60+); disability claims (55+); income guidelines; public benefits; wills; pension
problems; evictions; landlord-tenant; consumer litigation; community education; protective
services; housing; foreclosures; nursing homes; civil matters & money management.

Legal Network (Catholic Charities affiliated) –1221 Massachusetts Ave., NW
20005, (202) 628-4263, James D. Bishop, Director
Civil legal assistance to indigent and low-income persons, strict income guidelines. Government
entitlements; housing; labor and employment; insolvency/bankruptcy; domestic relations; wills;
probate; guardianship. Client intake: Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri 9:30am to noon Tues.9:30am to
4pm.

Multi-Door Dispute Resolution Division, 500 Indiana Ave. NW 20001
(DC Superior Court), (202) 879-1479, Fax (202) 879-4619, David Michael, Director
Alternative dispute resolution-mediation; arbitration (binding and non-binding); neutral case
evaluation. Case types: Civil actions (over \$200); (Family (child support, visitation), Tax
probate, Citizen non-filed disputes. Monday -Friday 8:30am to 5:00pm. No cost.

Neighborhood Legal Services –701 4th St., NW (main office) 20001
1213 Good Hope Road, SE 20020
(202) 682-2700 , (202) 682-0588, Roberta Y. Wright, Interim Director
Free to indigent D.C. residents: consumer rights; family law; public benefits; public assistance;
social security and unemployment; employment and housing discrimination, problems of
handicapped. 4th St., NW address serves NE(202-682-2735)/NW(202-682-2700) residents;
Good Hope Road serves SE/SW residents. All Spanish-speaking persons call (202) 682-
2700.

Our Place, DC. – 1236 Pennsylvania Ave. SE 20003
(202) 548-2400, Fax (202) 548-2403

Legal support services for women returning to the community from prison/jail. Provides direct legal assistance with: landlord/tenant challenges; parole matters (hearings, parole decisions, parole grant letters); sexual harassment claims; denial of public benefits; power of attorney agreements; uncontested divorces; obtaining medical or institutional files. Legal clinic hours: Tuesday 8am to 4pm, Friday 8am to 3pm

Public Defender Service (Community Defender Program)

680 Rhode Island Avenue, NE 20002

(202) 383-9801, Fax (202) 383-9819, James Berry, Chief

Juvenile Services Program: assisting children returning from residential placements

Community Re-entry Program: assist with legal and social service needs of newly-released parolees

Post Conviction Services Programs: monitor and protect legal rights of incarcerated DC Code Offenders

Community Outreach and Education: educate the local community of their legal rights

Public Defender Service – Mental Health Division

(St. Elizabeths Hospital, Barton Hall #115) 20032

(202) 645-4999, Fax (202) 645-7761, Harry J. Fulton, Chief

Appointed by the court to represent indigent clients facing involuntary civil/criminal commitments.

Public Defender Service, Parole Division

633 Indiana Ave., NW, 20004

(202) 628-1200 Olinda Moyd, Chief

Representation for indigent clients at Probable Cause Hearings and Parole Revocation proceedings before the United States Parole Commission; Attorneys also file parole related civil actions in the DC Superior Court and the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in an effort to protect Constitutional and statutory rights of clients; Attorneys offer advice, assistance and advocacy for DC Parolees who reside in the community. Requests for parole related assistance are accepted in person, in writing, and by telephone.

University Legal Services – 220 I St., NE Suite 202, 20002

(202) 547-4747, Fax (202) 547-2083, Jane M. Brown, Director

Referrals, contact Cheryl Brown, Intake Coordinator.

Protection and advocacy for individuals with developmental disabilities and/or mental illness. Works to assure that persons with disabilities enjoy full rights of self-determination, are free from harm, are afforded due process, are able to develop physically, emotionally and intellectually, and to be included in community life.

Washington Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights & Urban Affairs

1300 19th St. NW, Suite 500, 20036

(202) 835-0031, Fax (202) 835-0309, Karen C. Lee, Contact Person

Direct legal services in cases involving: employment discrimination, fair housing, public accommodations, immigration & asylum, public education. Eligibility on a case by case basis.
Mon-Fri 9:00am to 5:30pm

Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless, Inc. --1800 Mass. Ave., NW 20036, (202) 872-1494, Fax (202) 872-1932, e-mail WASHLCH@erols.com

Patricia Mullahy Fugere, Director, Catherine Stanton, Volunteer Coordinator

Representation in all civil legal matters: public benefits; housing; employment, immigration; etc.; impact litigation; legislative and policy-related issues. Advice and advocacy. Interview at 11 different shelters and soup kitchens. Call for schedule.

W.E.A.V.E. (Women Empowered Against Violence) -- 1111 16th Street, NW, 20036

(202) 452-8253, Fax (202) 452-8255, www.weaveincorp.org Lydia Watts, Director

Legal services: civil protection orders; divorce; custody; child support; dissolution of joint debt and other issues related to domestic violence. Case management; counseling; community outreach. Women 18 year of older, who have used the services of domestic violence emergency services within the past 24 months.

Whitman-Walker Clinic Legal Services -- 1407 S Street, NW 20009

(202) 797-3527, Fax (202) 797-4449, Karly T. Spriggs

Legal services (civil) for people living with HIV/AIDS. Public entitlements; child custody; discrimination in employment, housing, & public accommodations; debt counseling & bankruptcy; estate planning; immigration. Walk-in clinic: Mondays only 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Other hours by appt.